

**AMENDMENT TRANSMITTAL LETTER (Small Entity)**

Applicant(s): STOUT, Robert L. et al.

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Invention: **METHODS OF DETERMINING ACTIVE LEVELS OF DRUGS IN FLUID SAMPLES****COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS:**

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Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27

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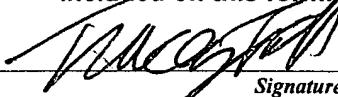
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AMENDMENT

In response to the office action dated January 7, 2005, amendment and reconsideration of the above application is requested.

Amendments to the Claims being on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 7 of this paper.